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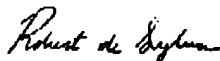
**REMARKS**

Claims 1-44 are presently pending. In response to the Office Action mailed August 8, 2005 subjecting Claims 1 - 44 to a restriction or election requirement, Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group I (Claims 1-24) while preserving the option to traverse the restriction requirement under 37 CFR 1.143.

The present Application is believed to be in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, allowance, and passage to issue are respectfully requested.

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